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SUBJECT: PL-480 TITLE I, WHEAT

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1. GVN/USAID CONCERNED ABOUT WHEAT SUPPLY SITUATION.
2. BASED ON PROPOSED FY '75 ALLOTMENT PER REFTTEL, USAID INITIATED IN DEPTH REVIEW CURRENT SITUATION WITH GVN AND IMPORTERS. WE ARE NOW CONCERNED THAT PROPOSED LEVEL COULD RESULT IN PANIC FLOUR PURCHASING DUE TO EARLY SHORTAGES OR A NEED FOR THE GVN TO USE ITS DECLINING FX FOR WHEAT IMPORTS. BELOW ARE THE UNDERLYING STATISTICS MARSHALLED BY USAID:

A. ESTIMATED WHEAT STOCKS AS OF MARCH 31: 2,000 MT

B. EXPECTED ARRIVALS MARCH 22 THROUGH END JULY: 75,000 MT

C. TOTAL AVAILABLE WHEAT: 77,000 MT

D. MONTHLY WHEAT UTILIZATION BASED ON LAST
FIVE MONTHS (OCT 74 - FEB 75) AVERAGE: 11,000 MT

E. DEPLETION OF WHEAT SUPPLY IF MINIMUM SECURITY STOCK
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OF 11,000 MT CONSIDERED ESSENTIAL AT END OF

PERIOD: END SEPT '75

3. USAID BELIEVES 11,000 MT UTILIZATION FIGURE MAY BE LOW
SINCE MONTHLY AVERAGE UTILIZATION HAS BEEN INCREASING
SUBSTANTIALLY AND CONTINUOUSLY SINCE APRIL 1974 AS FOLLOWS

APRIL/JUNE	3,783 MT
JULY/SEPT	8,893 MT
OCT/DEC	10,753 MT
JAN/FEB	11,337 MT

4. FIRST WHEAT PA UNDER FY '75 AGREEMENT WAS ISSUED JAN 31 AND
FIRST SHIPMENT OF 5,000 MT IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE MARCH 22. THUS,
IT TAKES ABOUT TWO MONTHS FROM PA FOR A SHIPMENT TO ARRIVE.

5. THEREFORE, IN ORDER TO AVOID UNDERSIRABLE EFFECTS OF
THREATENED WHEAT S
HORTAGE IN SEPTEMBER, USAID URGES AUTHORIZA-
TION ADDITIONAL 15,000 MT WHEAT UNDER FY '75 AGREEMENT WITH
ASSURANCE THAT ADDITIONAL WHEAT UNDER FY '76 AGREEMENT CAN BE
AUTHORIZED PRIOR END OF AUGUST.

6. IF FURTHER WHEAT UNDER FY '75 AGREEMENT CANNOT BE MADE
AVAILABLE,; USAID WOULD NEED REASONABLE ASSURANCE THAT FY '76
AGREEMENT COVERING WHEAT CAN BE AUTHORIZED PRIOR JULY 31, 1975.
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